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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy to the DCI for Resource Management

FROM:

SUBJECT: Contract Support for ADP-T Imagery Study

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1. The Resource Management Staff's contract with the [redacted] runs through mid-October 1980. A request was made in April to expand the contract by [redacted] from available FY 1980 funds. This would have enabled work on an ADP costing model to continue. That model has promising application for RMS monitoring of multi-year ADP development programs. However, it was decided to commit [redacted] to the contract. This money was sufficient only to cover the costs of moving the contractors back to their offices, paying the overhead cost accrued there, and finishing the last task of the current contract. [redacted]

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2. The imagery data flow study will be completed but it will be less detailed than was originally planned. The primary imagery ADP systems -- [redacted] -- will be fully described. The description of [redacted] and the major telecommunications systems supporting imagery will be less complete. This data flow is designed to be integrated into the ELINT Data Flow that IRO has been developing. [redacted]

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3. The imagery data flow will be completed by the time that the [redacted] contract expires in October. The following items will not be included in it:

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- o [redacted]
- o data flow from imagery aircraft
- o tactical level data flow
- o national/tactical interface
- o detailed description of softcopy data flows
- o detailed description of the imagery telecommunications network

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There will be no automated means of checking the data for consistency and the data flow will not be updated to take account of changes after June 1980. []

4. In addition to the limitations on the data flow, potentially fruitful areas of analysis resulting from the DCI ADP-T Support to Imagery Task Team (DASITT) study will not be pursued. These include the following:

- o refining the model developed to project long-term costs for new and upgraded imagery ADP systems so that it could be used to help monitor the implementation of the DCI's decisions in this area
- o expanding the cost model so that it could be applied more broadly to the monitoring of ADP system development programs in the NFIP []

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5. When this contract expires, the contracting team that has worked so well on the DASITT study will be dissolved. The two contractors have travelled extensively and been briefed by an enormous number of organizations -- here in the Washington area, at S&T Centers, and at the U&S Commands. This exposure, coupled with their technical expertise, makes them a valuable asset. With termination of the contract, RMS will lose these trained contractors and any follow-up on the imagery ADP-T issue will become entirely a staff responsibility. Should the alternative postponing the decision on the ADP imagery issue be approved, it would be very difficult to do extensive recosting of the DASITT alternatives during Budget Review. []

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